

Appl. No. 09/698,362
Amdt. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Dated August 20, 2004

REMARKS

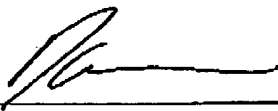
In response to the final rejection dated April 21, 2004, and the Advisory Action dated July 30, 2004, claims 51-53, which were indicated as containing allowable subject matter, have been amended from dependent form to independent form. The dependencies of certain of the dependent claims have been changed in light of the cancellation of independent claims 1, 10, and 18. All dependent claims are dependent from an allowable claim. Claims 1, 5, 10-12, 18, 20, 30-33, 35, 38, 46, and 54 have been cancelled.

The cancellation of claims made herein is without prejudice to the submission of the claims in a continuation application.

Allowance of all claims is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension of time fees, and/or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-1504 (NRT.0082US).

Respectfully submitted,

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